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SUBJECT: MALAGASY DAILY HIGHLIGHTS PAO LECTURE ON U.S. SYSTEM
OF GOVERNMENT AND U.S. FOREIGN POLICY

1. ANTANANARIVO'S LEADING DAILY, "MADAGASCAR MATIN", THURSDAY PUBLISHED A 700-WORDS SUMMARY OF THE LECTURE GIVEN BY PAO MICHAEL RAZI AT MADAGASCAR HILTON WEDNESDAY EVENING JANUARY 11 UNDER THE AUSPICES OF ANTANANARIVO'S TWO ROTARY CLUBS. THE FRENCH AND MALAGASY LANGUAGE DAILY REMRKE THAT THE COINCIDENCE OF THE LECTURE WITH PRESIDENT CARTER'S JUST CONCLUDED TRIP GAVE THE EVENT PARTICULAR TIMELINESS. ON ITS FRONT PAGE, "MADAGASCAR MATIN" CARRIED A PHOTO-MONTAGE FEATURING A PICTURE OF THE PAO AND OF THE ROTARY CLUB PRESIDENT FRAMED IN THE COVER OF THE PAO'S BOOK: "PRESIDENTIELLES AMERICAINES. LA VICTOIRE DE JIMMY CARTER", WHOSE RECENT PUBLICATION WAS THE OCCASION OF THE LECTURE AT THE INVITATION OF THE ROTARY.

2. THE LECTURE WAS ATTENDED BY ANTANANARIVO'S ROTARIANS AND THEIR WIVES AND BY SOME FORTY PERSONNAL GUESTS OF THE PAO: UNIVERSITY PROFESSORS (INCLUDING THE RECTOR), MEMBERS OF THE MALAGASY ACADEMY AND JOURNALISTS. THEY ALL SEEMED TO ENJOY THE 1976-1977....
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CARTER EXHIBIT DECORATING MADAGASCAR HILTON'S HALL AND FILMED SEQUENCES WHICH WERE FEATURED ON TWO VTR MONITORS.

3. THE HOUR-LONG FORMAL PRESENTATION WAS FOLLOWED BY A LONG CONVERSATION (OVER DRINKS OFFERED BY ROTARY CLUB PRESIDENT DANIEL TERRAT) ON PRESIDENT CARTER'S

PERSONALITY AND CARTER POLICIES ON SOUTHERN AFRICA,
HUMAN RIGHTS, DEMOCRACY. PRESIDENT CARTER'S ARRIVAL
STATEMENT OF JANUARY 7 AND THE PRESIDENT'S INTER-
VIEW DURING HIS RETURN FLIGHT PROVIDED MOST USEFUL
AND TIMELY MATERIAL CONCERNING HIS RECENT TRIP (POST
HOPES TO SEE THESE EXCELLENT PIECES CARRIED BY THE
WF IN FRENCH).

4. "MADAGASCAR MATIN"'S ARTICLE IN FRENCH IN
SEPARATE MESSAGE. RAZI

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